

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 12, line 1 as follows:

The administration API 212 represents the application interface through which control of the update service node 200 is exercised, and through which updates ultimately are stored and distributed. When the update web service 202 receives various update-related requests from client computers and child update service nodes, these requests are ultimately broken into calls into the administration API 212, either directly or indirectly through the client update module 204 and the child update module 206. In conjunction with the administration user interface 218 or some other program installed on the update service node 200 suitably configured to use the administration API 212, an administrator ultimately controls all aspects of the update process for that update service node, as well as any child update service nodes and client computers. An actual embodiment of an administration API is ~~attached as an appendix to this specification, and~~ described in greater detail below in regard to ~~FIGURES 9-XX~~ FIGURE 9.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 25, line 20 as follows:

The configuration information interface call 1004 provides access to configurable (and readable) values of the update service node, including, but not limited to, available languages, who is the parent update service node and location for that parent update service node, proxy servers and addresses, the mode in which the update service node synchronizes updates with its parent update service node, and the like. In an actual embodiment, as described in ~~the attached appendix~~ Table 1, the configuration information interface call 1004 is the "GetConfiguration" interface call on the IUpdateServer object, which returns an instance of an IConfiguration interface object for the update service node. The IConfiguration interface object is described in greater detail in the incorporated API of the provisional application.

Please amend the paragraph that begins on page 27, line 8 as follows:

Those skilled in the art will appreciate that while some of the interface calls have been described, they are not an exhaustive set of interface calls. Indeed, ~~as illustrated in the attached appendix,~~ an actual embodiment of an administration API includes numerous interface calls, the majority of which have not been specifically described.